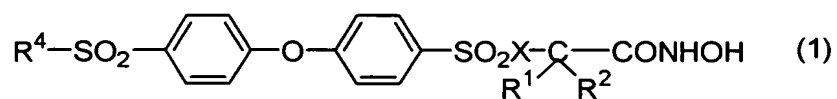


ABSTRACT

A hydroxamic acid derivative represented by the following general formula (1) having selective MMP inhibitory activity,



, wherein R^1 and R^2 each represents hydrogen atom, lower alkyl group, lower haloalkyl etc., X represents methylene group or NR^3 (R^3 represents hydrogen atom, lower alkyl group, etc.), and R^4 represents C1~4 lower alkyl group.